

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 623

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A RESOLUTION to congratulate James and Ruby Essary on the celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly takes great pleasure in paying tribute to those successful marriages that have stood the test of time to serve as examples for present and future generations; and

WHEREAS, on March 26, 1950, James and Ruby Essary were joined in holy matrimony by the Justice of the Peace in Middlesboro, Kentucky, and since that fateful day this outstanding couple has faced the world as one, basking in the glow of their love for each other during both life's joys and sorrows; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Essary are highly respected citizens of Tazewell; they made their home on Cedar Fork Road and are the very epitome of good neighbors, as they always endeavor to treat others as they would like to be treated; and

WHEREAS, for thirty-eight years, Mr. James Essary served with acumen and alacrity as an employee of Vulcan Materials, where he earned the respect of his peers and supervisors alike for the superior quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Ruby Gean Cosby Essary has always selflessly devoted herself to caring for her family and providing a place of warmth and love that her husband and children can call home; and

WHEREAS, this fine couple's praiseworthy marriage has produced two children, each of whom has excelled in his or her particular field of endeavor; their daughters are Mrs. Donna Baker and Mrs. Debbie Davis, both of Tazewell; and

WHEREAS, the Essarys are also the proud grandparents of Angela Baker, Joseph Davis, Jeff Davis, and Shellie Davis; and

WHEREAS, for fifty golden years this blessed union has grown and prospered as an expression of time-honored family values and selfless love; they celebrated the special occasion at the Tazewell United Methodist Church; and

WHEREAS, this fine couple are partners in every sense; they enjoy traveling together and camping with their friends; and

WHEREAS, marriages such as the Essarys are truly the rock-solid foundation upon which our society is built and a beacon of sanity and continuity in these turbulent times; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby pause to honor and congratulate James and Ruby Essary on the celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary and extend to them our best wishes for much continued happiness in the years to come.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.